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SUBJ: PROPOSED VISIT TO US OF IRANIAN MANPOWER SURVEY TEAM

REF: A. JOINT MINUTES OF USIRJC MEETING, MARCH 3-4, 1975

B. TEHRAN A-60 MARCH 24, 1975

1. PURSUANT TO DISCUSSIONS AT TIME OF JOINT MANPOWER AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION COMMITTEE FEBRUARY 4-5 AND AS ELABORATED IN DRAFT PROPOSAL FOR IRANIAN-AMERICAN MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION AS WELL AS THE REPORT OF BURNIE MERSON FORWARDED UNDER REFERENCE B, IRANIAN MINISTRY OF LABOR PROPOSES TO SEND FIVE-MAN TEAM TO UNITED STATES COMMENCING ON OR ABOUT MAY 15. THIS TEAM WOULD BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS PROGRAMS IN EMPLOYMENT SERVICE, UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, STATISTICS, VOCATIONAL TRAINING, AND ALL OTHER AREAS CONSIDERED BY DRAFT AGREEMENT AND WOULD BE AT DIRECTOR-GENERAL LEVEL. TEAM WILL BE HEADED BY HUSHANG ANSARI, ADVISOR TO MINISTRY OF LABOR AND WILL INCLUDE DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR EMPLOYMENT, ALI ANSARIAN AND DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR MANPOWER, JAMSHID SHOKRZADEH.

2. ABOVE PROPOSAL APPEARS TO SHORTCUT TECHNICAL TEAM VISIT STAGE AND MOVE DIRECTLY INTO PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT PHASE. ON OTHER HAND, IF IRANIAN PROGRAM TEAM NOT IN WASHINGTON BY MARY 15 AND HIGH-LEVEL US TEAM VISIT HERE DOES NOT FOLLOW SHORTLY THEREAFTER, GOAL OF SIGNATURE OF PROJECT OF MANPOWER COOPERATION AT NEXT (JUNE) MEETING OF MANPOWER AND TCHNICAL COOPERATION COMMITTEE DOES NOT APPEAR ATTAINABLE. WE SUSPECT IRANIANS HAVE HAD PROBLEMS IDENTIFYING SUFFICIENT QUALIFIED AND ENGLISH-LANGUAGE COMPETENT CADRE

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AT LOWER ECHELONS TO MAN ORIGINALLY PROPOSED TECHNICAL TEAMS. IF

TRUE, THIS DOES NOT AUGUR WELL FOR PERIOD WHEN US EXPERTS ARRIVE
AND EXPECT TO INTERFACE WITH WORKING-LEVEL IRANIAN COUNTERPARTS.

3. PLS ADVISE WHETHER PROPOSED DIRECTOR-GENERAL LEVEL TEAM VISIT
ON OR ABOUT MAY 15 IS ACCEPTABLE.

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